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 By Use of a Feedback System to
 Prevent Harmonic Oscillations
 Art Unit: 3723
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RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION OF JANUARY 18, 2005

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:


Responsive to the Office Action of January 18, 2005, Applicant elects Species I of Figures 2-3 for prosecution in this application. Applicant believes that all claims read on the Figures associated with Species I. Applicant does not believe that claims 2 and 14 need to be amended because they correspond to Figure 2. If the Examiner believes otherwise, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner issue another restriction requirement, defining the species differently.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this Response, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (312) 704-1890.

Respectfully submitted,

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